

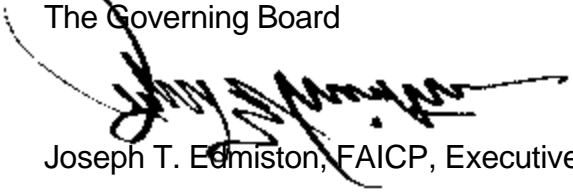


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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

FROM:  Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP, Executive Officer

DATE: November 1, 2004

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item VI: Consideration of resolution accepting an amended scope of work for grant SMM-0479, Soka University acquisition.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution accepting **an amended scope of work for grant SMM-0479, Soka University acquisition.**

Background: At its October 25, 2004 meeting, the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy (SMMC) authorized an amended scope of work for the grant to the MRCA for the Soka University acquisition. The scope was amended to specifically include acquisition of an option to acquire the fee title. The grant agreement amendment is attached.

In lieu of relocation, a three-year lease with Soka University is proposed, wherein Soka would operate and maintain the facilities at no cost to MRCA. The lease would also allow Soka to phase out their use of the property.